## **PATENT**

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In re application of Philip J. Mazziotti	)	RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CEI	
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## RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR UNITY OF INVENTION

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is filed in response to a paper entitled "Requirement for Unity of Invention." Applicant is required to elect a single species and hereby elects the species shown in Fig. 1. Further, Applicant submits that claims 1, 2, 5, 7, 8 and 11 are readable on the elected species.

Applicant agrees that claim 7 is a generic claim and respectfully submits that claim 1 includes all of the limitations of claim 7.

Favorable action is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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